

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 20 with the following paragraph.

K, D, E and Z are substituents of the aryl moiety (Ar) and each independently represent hydrogen, lower alkyl, aryl, Het, halo, cyano, nitro, OR<sup>19</sup>, OC(O)R<sup>20</sup>, C(O)R<sup>21</sup>, C(O)OR<sup>32</sup>, NR<sup>23</sup>R<sup>24</sup>, C(O)NR<sup>25</sup>R<sup>26</sup>, ~~C(S)R<sup>25</sup>R<sup>26</sup>~~ C(S)NR<sup>25</sup>R<sup>26</sup>, SR<sup>27</sup>, C(O)SR<sup>27</sup>, or -J-Q<sup>3</sup>(CR<sup>13</sup>(R<sup>14</sup>)(R<sup>15</sup>))CR<sup>16</sup>(R<sup>17</sup>)(R<sup>18</sup>) where J represents lower alkylene; or two adjacent groups selected from K, Z, D and E together with the carbon atoms of the aryl ring to which they are attached form a further phenyl ring, which is optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydrogen, lower alkyl, halo, cyano, nitro, OR<sup>19</sup>, OC(O)R<sup>20</sup>, C(O)R<sup>21</sup>, C(O)OR<sup>22</sup>, NR<sup>23</sup>R<sup>24</sup>, C(O)NR<sup>25</sup>R<sup>26</sup>, C(S)R<sup>25</sup>R<sup>26</sup>, SR<sup>27</sup> or C(O)SR<sup>27</sup> or, when Ar is a cyclopentadienyl group, Z may be represented by-M (L<sub>1</sub>)<sub>n</sub> (L<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub> and Z is connected via a metal ligand bond to the cyclopentadienyl group;

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 7 with the following paragraph.

L<sub>1</sub> represents a cyclopentadienyl, indenyl or aryl group each of which groups are optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydrogen, lower alkyl, halo, cyano, nitro, OR<sup>19</sup>, OC(O)R<sup>20</sup>, C(O)R<sup>21</sup>, C(O)OR<sup>22</sup>, NR<sup>23</sup>R<sup>24</sup>, C(O)NR<sup>25</sup>R<sup>26</sup>, ~~C(S)R<sup>25</sup>R<sup>26</sup>~~ C(S)NR<sup>25</sup>R<sup>26</sup>, SR<sup>27</sup>, C(O)SR<sup>27</sup> or ferrocenyl;

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 12 with the following paragraph.

wherein R<sup>29</sup> may be selected from hydrogen, lower alkyl, aryl, Het, halo, cyano, nitro, OR<sup>19</sup>, OC(O)R<sup>20</sup>, C(O)R<sup>21</sup>, C(O)OR<sup>22</sup>, NR<sup>23</sup>R<sup>24</sup>, C(O)NR<sup>25</sup>R<sup>26</sup>, ~~C(S)R<sup>25</sup>R<sup>26</sup>~~ C(S)NR<sup>25</sup>R<sup>26</sup>, SR<sup>27</sup>, C(O)SR<sup>29</sup> wherein R<sup>12</sup>-R<sup>18</sup> and R<sup>19</sup>-R<sup>27</sup> are as defined herein.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 20 with the following paragraph.

Preferably,  $R^{30}$ - $R^{32}$  each independently represent hydrogen, lower alkyl, aryl or Het as defined herein. Most preferably,  $R^{30}$ - $R^{32}$  represent hydrogen. As mentioned above,  $R^{28}$  may be optionally substituted, preferably, with one or more substituents selected from lower alkyl, aryl, Het, halo, cyano, nitro,  $OR^{19}$ ,  $OC(O)R^{20}$ ,  $C(O)R^{21}$ ,  $C(O)OR^{22}$ ,  $NR^{23}R^{24}$ ,  $C(O)NR^{25}R^{26}$ ,  ~~$C(S)R^{25}R^{26}$~~ ,  ~~$C(S)NR^{25}R^{26}$~~ ,  $SR^{27}$  or  $C(O)SR^{27}$  as defined herein.

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 18, line 6 with the following paragraph.

Suitably, the hydroxyl group containing compound includes water or an organic molecule having a hydroxyl functional group. Preferably, the organic molecule having a hydroxyl functional group may be branched or linear, and comprises an alkanol, particularly a  $C_1$ - $C_{30}$  alkanol, including aryl alkanols, which may be optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from lower alkyl, aryl, Het, halo, cyano, nitro,  $OR^{19}$ ,  $OC(O)R^{20}$ ,  $C(O)R^{21}$ ,  $C(O)OR^{22}$ ,  $NR^{23}R^{24}$ ,  $C(O)NR^{25}R^{26}$ ,  ~~$C(S)R^{25}R^{26}$~~ ,  $C(S)NR^{25}R^{26}$ ,  $SR^{27}$  or  $C(O)SR^{27}$  as defined herein. Highly preferred alkanols are  $C_1$ - $C_8$  alkanols such as methanol, ethanol, propanol, iso-propanol, iso-butanol, t-butyl alcohol, n-butanol, phenol and chlorocapryl alcohol. Although the monoalkanols are most preferred, poly-alkanols, preferably, selected from di-octa ols such as diols, triols, tetra-ols and sugars may also be utilised. Typically, such polyalkanols are selected from 1,2-ethanediol, 1,3-propanediol, glycerol, 1,2, 4 butanetriol, 2-(hydroxymethyl)- 1,3-propanediol, 1, 2, 6 trihydroxyhexane, pentaerythritol, 1,1,1 tri (hydroxymethyl) ethane, nannose, sorbase, galactose and other sugars. Preferred sugars include sucrose, fructose and glucose. Especially preferred alkanols are methanol and ethanol. The most preferred alkanol is methanol.